

REMARKS

The allowability of claims 5-6, 10, 12, and 14-15 is noted with appreciation. Amended and newly submitted claims should be allowable, for the reasons following.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitation of claim 5. Since claim 5 is generic to withdrawn claims 7-9 and 11, these claims should be reinstated and allowed. These claims have accordingly been amended to depend from claim 1.


New independent claims 16, 21, and 24 represent combinations of claim 1 with allowable claims 12, 14, and 15, respectively. New dependent claims to not include any counterpart to withdrawn claims.

The claims as amended and newly presented being allowable over the art of record, withdrawal of the rejections and early allowance are solicited. If any objections remain, a call to the undersigned is requested.

A check in the amount of \$500 is enclosed to cover six claims in excess of twenty already paid for, and one independent claim in excess of three already paid for.

If any additional fees or charges are required at this time, they may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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